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C. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

In order to better assist the Examiner with the prosecution of the case, the current pending claims have been included in their entirety for which reconsideration is requested.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for recording a messaging session, said method comprising the steps of:

enabling a particular user to edit a particular messaging entry from among a plurality of message entries in a first record of said plurality of message entries previously submitted in a messaging session, wherein at least one other user has participated in said messaging session with said particular user, wherein said messaging session facilitates said plurality of message entries during chat communications between said particular user and said other user; and

saving said edit to said messaging entry with said first record of said messaging session as a final record of said messaging session, such that said particular user is enabled to edit said first record of said messaging session prior to saving [as a] said final record.

2. (Original) The method for recording a messaging session according to claim 1, said method further comprising the step of:

receiving said edit at a messaging server communicatively connected via a network to a plurality of client messaging systems accessible to said users.

3. (Original) The method for recording a messaging session according to claim 1, said method further comprising the step of:

receiving said edit at a particular client messaging system accessible to said particular user communicatively connected via a network to a plurality of client messaging systems accessible to said users.

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4. **(Currently Amended)** The method for recording a messaging session according to claim 1, said step of enabling a particular user to edit a particular messaging entry, further comprising the step of:

in response to channel options for said messaging session allowing editing by said particular user, enabling said particular user to edit said particular messaging entry.

5. **(Currently Amended)** The method for recording a messaging session according to claim 1, said method further comprising the step of:

providing an interface to said particular user for entering said edit to said particular messaging entry.

6. **(Currently Amended)** The method for recording a messaging session according to claim 1, said method further comprising the steps of:

detecting said edit to said particular messaging entry by said particular user after a conclusion of said messaging session;

submitting a request to said at least one other user to approve said edit of said particular messaging entry; and

in response to receiving an approval from said at least one other user, storing said final record of said messaging session with said edit of said particular messaging entry.

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7. **(Currently Amended)** The method for recording a messaging session according to claim 6, said method further comprising the steps of:

receiving said approval with a digital signature corresponding to said at least one other user; and

storing said digital signature with said edit of said particular messaging entry.

8. **(Currently Amended)** The method for recording a messaging session according to claim 1, said method further comprising the step of:

[distributing] updating a currently displayed record of said messaging session available to said at least one other user [with] to distinguish said edit to said particular message entry from said particular message entry as originally submitted [to said at least one other user].

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9. (Currently Amended) A system for recording a messaging session, said system comprising:

a server system communicatively connected to a network;

said server system further comprising:

means for enabling a particular user to edit a particular messaging entry from among a plurality of message entries in a first record of said plurality of message entries previously submitted in a messaging session, wherein at least one other user has participated in said messaging session with said particular user, wherein said messaging session facilitates said plurality of message entries during chat communications between said particular user and said other user; and

means for saving said edit to said messaging entry with said first record of said messaging session as a final record of said messaging session, such that said particular user is enabled to edit said first record of said messaging session prior to saving [as a] said final record.

10. (Original) The system for recording a messaging session according to claim 9, wherein said server system is communicatively connected via said network to a plurality of client messaging systems accessible to said users.

11. (Currently Amended) The system for recording a messaging session according to claim 9, said server system further comprising:

means for enabling said particular user to edit said particular messaging entry, in response to channel options for said messaging session allowing editing by said particular user.

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12. **(Currently Amended)** The system for recording a messaging session according to claim 9, said server system further comprising:

means for providing an interface to said particular user for entering said edit to said particular messaging entry.

13. **(Currently Amended)** The system for recording a messaging session according to claim 9, said server system further comprising:

means for detecting said edit to said particular messaging entry by said particular user after a conclusion of said messaging session;

means for submitting a request to said at least one other user to approve said edit of said particular messaging entry; and

means for storing said final record of said messaging session with said edit of said particular messaging entry, in response to receiving an approval from said at least one other user.

14. **(Currently Amended)** The system for recording a messaging session according to claim 13, said server system further comprising:

means for receiving said approval with a digital signature corresponding to said at least one other user; and

means for storing said digital signature with said edit of said particular messaging entry.

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15. **(Currently Amended)** The system for recording a messaging session according to claim 9, said server system further comprising:

means for [distributing] updating a currently displayed record of said messaging session available to said at least one other user [with] to distinguish said edit to said particular message entry from said particular message entry as originally submitted [to said at least one other user].

16. **(Currently Amended)** A program for recording a messaging session, residing on a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means, said program comprising:

means for enabling a particular user to edit a particular messaging entry from among a plurality of message entries in a first record of said plurality of message entries previously submitted in a messaging session, wherein at least one other user has participated in said messaging session with said particular user, wherein said messaging session facilitates said plurality of message entries during chat communications between said particular user and said other user; and

means for saving said edit to said messaging entry with said first record of said messaging session as a final record of said messaging session, such that said particular user is enabled to edit said first record of said messaging session prior to saving [as a] said final record.

17. **(Currently Amended)** The program for recording a messaging session according to claim 16, said program further comprising:

means for enabling said particular user to edit said particular messaging entry, in response to channel options for said messaging session allowing editing by said particular user.

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18. **(Currently Amended)** The program for recording a messaging session according to claim 16, said program further comprising:

means for providing an interface to said particular user for entering said edit to said particular messaging entry.

19. **(Currently Amended)** The program for recording a messaging session according to claim 16, said program further comprising:

means for detecting said edit to said particular messaging entry by said particular user after a conclusion of said messaging session;

means for submitting a request to said at least one other user to approve said edit of said particular messaging entry; and

means for storing said final record of said messaging session with said edit of said particular messaging entry, in response to receiving an approval from said at least one other user.

20. **(Currently Amended)** The program for recording a messaging session according to claim 19, said program further comprising:

means for receiving said approval with a digital signature corresponding to said at least one other user; and

means for storing said digital signature with said edit of said particular messaging entry.

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21. **(Currently Amended)** The program for recording a messaging session according to claim 16, said program further comprising:

means for[distributing] updating a currently displayed record of said messaging session available to said at least one other user [with] to distinguish said edit to said particular message entry from said particular message entry as originally submitted [to said at least one other user].

22. **(Currently Amended)** A method for editing previously submitted message entries in a messaging session, said method comprising the steps of:

requesting to edit a previously submitted entry from among a plurality of message entries in a messaging session, wherein said messaging session facilitates conversation through said plurality of message entries in a chat session; and

in response to receiving editing authorization, submitting an edit to said previously submitted message entry, such that a recording of said messaging session is adjusted according to said edit to said previously submitted message entry.

23. **(Currently Amended)** The method for editing previously submitted message entries in a messaging session according to claim 22, said method further comprising the step of:

submitting said request to edit [a] said previously submitted entry from a client messaging system communicatively connected via a network to a messaging server.

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24. **(Currently Amended)** The method for editing previously submitted message entries in a messaging session according to claim 22, said method further comprising the step of:

submitting said request to edit [a] said previously submitted entry from a particular client messaging system communicatively connected via a network to at least one other client messaging system.

25. **(Original)** The method for editing previously submitted message entries in a messaging session according to claim 22, said method further comprising the step of:

in response to receiving approvals for said edit from at least one other user associated with said messaging session, storing said messaging session with said edit as a record accessible to said at least one other user.

26. **(Currently Amended)** A system for editing previously submitted message entries in a messaging session, said system comprising:

a client messaging system communicatively connected to a network;

said client messaging system further comprising:

means for requesting to edit a previously submitted entry from among a plurality of message entries in a messaging session, wherein said messaging session facilitates conversation through said plurality of message entries in a chat session; and

means for submitting an edit to said previously submitted message entry, in response to receiving editing authorization, such that a recording of said messaging session is adjusted according to said edit to said previously submitted message entry.

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27. (Original) The system for editing previously submitted message entries in a messaging session according to claim 26, wherein said client messaging system is communicatively connected via a network to a messaging server.

28. (Original) The system for editing previously submitted message entries in a messaging session according to claim 26, said client messaging system further comprising:

means for storing said messaging session with said edit as a record accessible to said at least one other user, in response to receiving approvals for said edit from at least one other user associated with said messaging session.

29. (Currently Amended) A program for editing previously submitted message entries in a messaging session, residing on a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means, said program comprising:

means for requesting to edit a previously submitted entry from among a plurality of message entries in a messaging session, wherein said messaging session facilitates conversation through said plurality of message entries in a chat session; and

means for submitting an edit to said previously submitted message entry, in response to receiving editing authorization, such that a recording of said messaging session is adjusted according to said edit to said previously submitted message entry.

30. (Original) The program for editing previously submitted message entries in a messaging session according to claim 29, said program further comprising:

means for storing said messaging session with said edit as a record accessible to said at least one other user, in response to receiving approvals for said edit from at least one other user associated with said messaging session.

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